border into J & K with a view to carrying out terrorist activities. It is difficult to precisely ascertain the exact level of infiltration.

(b) With view to tackling the problems of militancy in Jammu and Kashmir, the Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach which includes, inter-alia, strengthening the border management, neutralising plans of the militants by proactive action against them in the hinterland, gearing up intelligence machinery, greater functional integration through an institutional framework of Operations Groups and Intelligence Groups of the UHQ at all levels, improved technology, weapons and equipments for Security Forces.

Steps have been taken afresh to flush out militants, check infiltration and curb militant activities including closer vigil on the border, by intensive patrolling and extensive search operations.

(c) No, Sir.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Electronic Alarm System of DRDO

209. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some time back, scientists in the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) developed a low-cost and whether independent electronic alarm system, which can help to detect enemy intrusions in border areas;

(b) wheher it is also a fact that the efficacy of the system was demonstrated in border areas in Rajasthan, Punjab and Gujarat; and

(c) whether the system has been put into operation in the border areas and if so, with what results and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed an acoustic/seismic sensor based electronic alarm system, which is capable of detecting intrusions in the plains of Rajasthan, Pubjab and Gujarat.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The indigenously developed electronic alarm system is not so effective in hilly and mountainous regions. Approval has been accorded for procurement of "Unattended Ground Sensor", capable of detecting personnel and vehicles using its seismic, magnetic and passive IR sensors.

Electronic Alarm System in Disuse

210. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an electronic alarm system to help in detecting enemy intrusions in border areas, like Kargil, has been gathering dust for the past six years in a defence laboratory in Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the low cost system can detect intrusions in border areas which is difficult to monitor by line of sight implements of patrolling personnel; and

(c) if so, why it is not being used in border areas?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The indigenously developed acoustic/seismic sensor based elctronic alarm system is capable of detecting intrusions in the plains of Rajasthan, Punjab and Gujarat. However, it is not so effective in hilly and mountainous regions. Approval has been accorded for procurement of 'Unattended Ground Sensor', capable of detecting personnel and vehicles using its seismic, magnetic and passive IR sensors.

Compensation for Soliders Killed and Injured in Terrorist Attacks

211. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of soldiers killed and injured in terrorist attacks in J&K and in the North Eastern sector, during last three years;

(b) whether families of the killed soldiers have received relief, compensation etc., in all the cases;

(c) how many complaints have been received during the last three years from the families of the soldiers killed and injured that they